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SUBJECT: CCD - US-USSR CW CONSULTATIONS

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1. DELEGATIONS HELD BRIEF ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
AUGUST 16. FOLLOWING INTRODUCTIONS (SOVIET EXPERTS
SAME AS AT JULY CCD CW EXPERTS SESSION) SOVIETS
REQUESTED THAT AGENDA PROPOSED BY US IN EARLY AUGUST BE
MODIFIED BY COMBINING TWO VERIFICATION POINTS UNDER ONE
HEADING AND ADDING DISCUSSION OF SCOPE OF PROHIBITION
AS SEPARATE ITEM. THIS HAS BEEN AGREED. MEETINGS
TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR AFTERNOONS OF AUG 17, 19, AND
MORNINGS OF 18 AND 20 SUBJECT TO DEMANDS OF ENMOD
NEGOTIATIONS.

2. SOVIETS WERE UNINSTRUCTED RE ISSUANCE OF COMMUNIQUE.
THEY CONCURRED IN NECESSITY OF AGREED PRESS GUIDANCE IN
CASE OF LEAK (WHICH WILL BE REPORTED WHEN WORKED OUT
WITH SOVIET MISSION). UPON BEING TOLD THAT WE HAD INFORMED
OUR ALLIES OF FACT BUT NOT SUBSTANCE OF CONSULTATIONS
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SOVIETS RESPONDED THAT THEY HAD SAID NOTHING TO THEIRS

BUT WOULD DO SO SINCE THEY DDI NOT WISH TO BE IN POSITION
OF "HAVING OUR ALLIES GET THE INFORMATION FROM YOUR ALLIES."

3. IN HIS REMARKS, SOVIET AMBASSADOR DESCRIBED SUBJECT
OF CONSULATIONS AS "WORKING OUT OF CONVENTION ON PROHIBITION
OF DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION AND STOCKPILING OF CHEMICAL
WEAPONS AND ON THEIR DESTRUCTION" NOTION OF WHICH WE
WILL DISABUSE HIM TOMORROW) AND HINTED AT FLEXIBILITY BY
EXPRESSING HOPE THAT DISCUSSION, WHICH SOVIET SIDE WOULD

APPROACH WITH "GOOD WILL" WOULD BE MOST PRODUCTIVE AND
WOULD RESULT IN AGREEMENT ON "TWO, THREE, OR FOUR" ITEMS.

4. COMMENT. WHILE THERE IS LITTLE NEW WE CAN SAY ON
SCOPE, ADDITION OF THIS ITEM TO AGENDA PROVIDES OPENING
FOR US TO MAKE POINTS CONTAINED PARA 8 REFTTEL.
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